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Title: AUXILIARY PART FOR AN ELECTRIC SHAVER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

6. An auxiliary part as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that a wear indicator is provided on a central surface, which indicator becomes visible when the lubricant carrier has become substantially exhausted and is due for replacement.

7. An auxiliary part as claimed in claim 1, suitable in particular for an electric shaver provided with one or several

rotary cutting members, characterized in that the auxiliary part is formed by a base part provided at one side with a projection which can be fastened in a central cavity of an outer cutting member by means of a snap connection, while a wear indicator covered by a lubricant layer is provided on the other side of the base part.

8. An electric shaver with at least one shaving head comprising an outer cutting member, the or each outer cutting member being provided with hair inlet openings, characterized in that each shaving head is provided with an auxiliary part as claimed in claim 1 which can be snapped home on or around said shaving head and can be removed therefrom.

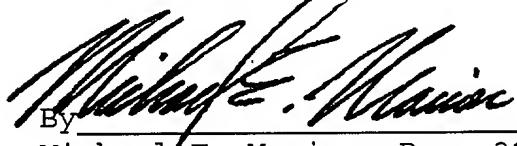
REMARKS

The foregoing amendments to the claims were made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple dependent form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights they may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicants furthermore reserve their right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at

a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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APPENDIX

6. An auxiliary part as claimed in claim 2-~~or 5~~, characterized in that a wear indicator is provided on a central surface, which indicator becomes visible when the lubricant carrier has become substantially exhausted and is due for replacement.

7. An auxiliary part as claimed in ~~any one or several of the preceding claims~~claim 1, suitable in particular for an electric shaver provided with one or several rotary cutting members, characterized in that the auxiliary part is formed by a base part provided at one side with a projection which can be fastened in a central cavity of an outer cutting member by means of a snap connection, while a wear indicator covered by a lubricant layer is provided on the other side of the base part.

8. An electric shaver with at least one shaving head comprising an outer cutting member, the or each outer cutting member being provided with hair inlet openings, characterized in that each shaving head is provided with an auxiliary part as claimed in ~~one or several of the preceding claims~~claim 1 which can be snapped home on or around said shaving head and can be removed therefrom.